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THE JAPAN COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE WAR CRIMES IN VIETNAM (JCIWCV), IS LOOKING TO SEND A NEW INVESTIGATION TEAM TO NORTH VIETNAM TO GATHER "EVIDENCE" TO BE PRESENTED AT THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE THAT WILL EXAMINE "UNITED STATES GENOCIDE IN VIETNAMESE POPULATION CENTERS SINCE THE TET OFFENSIVE." THIS CONFERENCE, TO BE SPONSORED BY THE INTERNATIONAL WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL (IWCT) IS NOW SCHEDULED TO CONVENE IN PARIS ON 10 JUNE 1968.

2. THE JCIWCV THIRD INVESTIGATION TEAM WILL CONSIST OF TWO MEMBERS, NAGOYA UNIVERSITY CONSTITUTIONAL LAW PROFESSOR HASEGAWA SHOAS (AKA HASEGAWA MASAYASU) AND AN UNIDENTIFIED MEDICAL DOCTOR FROM AOMORI PREFECTURE IN NORTHERN JAPAN. [redacted] COMMENT. THE JCIWCV FIRST AND SECOND INVESTIGATION TEAMS VISITED NORTH VIETNAM IN DECEMBER 1966 AND JULY 1967, RESPECTIVELY. SUBSEQUENTLY, THESE JCIWCV TEAMS PLAYED KEY ROLES IN THE TWO IWCT SESSIONS, IN STOCKHOLM IN MAY 1967 AND IN COPENHAGEN IN NOVEMBER 1967, AS WELL AS AT THE JCIWCV'S OWN "TOKYO COURT" IN AUGUST 1967.)

3. THIS JCIWCV THIRD INVESTIGATION TEAM WILL SOON DEPART JAPAN, TRAVEL VIA PHNOM PENH TO HANOI, SPEND TWO TO THREE WEEKS IN NORTH VIETNAM GATHERING EVIDENCE, THEN PROCEED TO PARIS BY 10 JUNE. AN ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVE FOR HASEGAWA WHILE IN HANOI IS TO MAKE HIMSELF

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AVAILABLE TO CONSULT WITH AND ADVISE NORTH VIETNAMESE OFFICIALS ON PROBLEMS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW. [redacted] COMMENT. HASEGAWA PREVIOUSLY SPENT TWO YEARS IN PARIS.) [redacted] COMMENT. [redacted] EARLIER REPORTED THAT HASEGAWA WOULD BE SENT BY THE JCP TO AN AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE IN PHNOM PENH IN MAY, AND FROM THERE HE WOULD PROCEED TO HANOI. ALTHOUGH THE CONVENING OF AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE IN PHNOM PENH HAS BEEN INDEFINITELY POSTPONED, ELIMINATING THE ORIGINAL PURPOSE OF HASEGAWA'S TRIP THERE, HE WILL STILL GO TO PHNOM PENH IN MAY, IN TRANSIT TO HANOI. HASEGAWA IS A SECRET JCP MEMBER, A SPECIALIST IN MARXIST LAW, A MEMBER OF SEVERAL JCP FRONTS AND WAS A DELEGATE TO THE SECOND AFRO-ASIAN LAWYERS' CONFERENCE IN CONAKRY, GUINEA IN 1962.)

5. THE JCP IS NOW TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO HAVE THE JCIWCV SEND ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION TEAMS TO NORTH VIETNAM IN THE SUMMER AND FALL OF 1968.

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